

communications, vehicles, and shipbuilding representing its primary areas of concentration. Recent efforts on the part of the Canadian Government and industry have served to enhance the industrial base in the areas of naval design, naval electronics, military pattern vehicles, small arms, light and medium helicopters, and engines. These efforts include, for example, focussing on procurement programmes, on industry, and on the establishment of new manufacturing facilities.

Approximately eighty percent of the Canadian defence industry's production is exported. As a result, the impact on the defence industry of the 1989-1990 Canadian defence budget cuts is expected to be relatively small.

PARLIAMENTARY COMMENT

There was no comment in the House of Commons on the issue of the Canadian defence industrial base during this reporting period.

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